

**SAC**  
**Meeting Minutes**

January 9, 2013

**Call to order:** Josh Burnham called to order the regular meeting of the SAC at 8:45pm on January 9, 2013 via teleconference.

**Roll call:** The following persons were present: Josh Burnham, Denny Allen, Sharon Mozer, and Dennis Berry.

Approval of minutes from last meeting: November 28, 2012 - Yes

**Open issues**

1. Sanction fee is \$85.00 and \$115.00 for late applications
2. State Cup Recap

a. Income Breakdown

Gate	\$789.50	
Entry Fee	\$ 8,785.00	Total= \$9,574.50

Expense Breakdown

Awards	\$300.00	
Sanction	\$115.00	
Judges	\$1,607.27	
Lodging	\$117.70	
Judges Lunches	\$102.98	
Gym Rental	\$2,000.00	Total = (\$4242.95)

Profit                      \$5331.55 (will added to the SAC account)

3. It is recommended that the State Cup awards should extend some sort of ribbons through to Optional levels.
4. A tentative date is set for the Montana State Cup – January 11, 2014. Josh will check with Lone Mountain to make sure it is not a conflict with their annual Bozeman Blizzard.

**New Business**

1. SAC account balance: \$4223.70 +\$5331.55 (State Cup profit) = \$9,555.31
2. It is brought up that we should separate Excel/Level 3s from the Optional Level session.
3. Judging Level 3s in Montana –
  - a. Deila Harvey, Development Gymnastics Subcommittee Chair, proposed a scoring system, which is placed directly on each gymnast's scorecard and will be given to gymnasts after the competition.
  - b. It is recommended that for this year, 2013, all gyms in Montana who compete Level 3s adopt this scoring system so that judging and scoring is consistent.
  - c. Deila will email gyms their scorecards.
  - d. For the time being, the board agreed that Level 3s do not need sanctioned judges.

- e. Josh will type a letter/proposal to address Level 3s judging and scoring for the board to approve.

#### 5. Judges

- a. Our Montana judges do not have the proper rating to judge Level 10s. Judges Deila, Crystal, and Lizzie are working on getting their ratings to judge Level 9s. So far they have passed their written and working on their practical.
- b. Is it legal to have judges judging levels that they have not passed both written and practical? – Answer – it is allowable only if we can't secure a judge from a different state that is financially feasible. Bringing in judges from another state is difficult. Although outside judges may be available, they most likely are in the same predicament as our Montana judges as far as qualifications are concerned.
- c. Our Montana judges need to gain more experience and a good way to do this is to travel to out-of-state meets to shadow. Our judges should be encouraged to do this. At this point, some judges are going to GWGF to shadow judges there. It is a step in a positive direction.
- d. Should the SAC donate money to judges for their travels to help them with their efforts? How can the SAC help the judges' efforts in this regard. Do we donate money for lodging expense for one night and who will keep track of the money donated? The board decided to table this idea for next year at the general meeting.
- e. Our main goal this year is to focus on the athletes.

#### 6. State Clinic

- a. Josh – Keep the clinic local and having athletes stay in dorms
- b. Denny – Moving clinicians – having a traveling clinic and keeping it small
- c. Denis – Keep it simple for the 1<sup>st</sup> year
- d. Sharon – Keep in one location. – Good bonding for all athletes around the State.
- e. Clinic location suggestions if we keep it stationary are Helena, Missoula, and Bozeman. Josh feels we should make the clinic big and the location should have pits.
- f. Denny will contact Becky Rimmel and have her put together a budget plan, basic structure of the clinic, and the board will review and vote.

#### 7. New Levels/Changes for next year

- a. Would it be helpful and should the state put together guidelines for Montana gyms on what skills are recommended at each level. The SAC should come up with recommendations following along with the national board.

#### **Adjournment**

Josh Burnham adjourned the meeting at 10:03pm.

Next meeting: February 6, 2013 at 8:45pm

Minutes submitted by: Sharon Mozer